## What is claimed is:

## A cytotoxic assay, wherein

an evaluation of toxicity of a specimen is performed on the basis of its toxicity to an established cell line originated from sturgeon.

- 2. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 1, wherein an established cell line of Bester origin is used.
- 3. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 1, wherein an established cell line of an epithelial cell origin is used.
- 4. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 3, wherein an established cell line of an ocular epithelial cell origin is used.
- 5. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 4, wherein an established cell line of an iris pigmented epithelial cell origin is used.
- 6. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 1, wherein an established cell line, where a passage culture of which is possible without adding an extra cellular matrix, is used.
- 7. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 1, wherein an established cell line, where 50 times or more of passage cultures of which are possible, is used.
- 8. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 1, wherein an stablished cell line having a doubling time of less than 50 hours on the second day to the sixth day after the initiation

of culture at 20°C, is used.

- 9. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 1, wherein an established cell line having a plating efficiency of 75% or more, which is the percentage of cells being attached on a culture dish in one hour after adding these cells into the culture dish, is used.
- 10. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 1, wherein STIP-1 cells (FERM BP-8421) which are included in an established cell line of a sturgeon eyeball origin are used.
- 11. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 1, wherein STIP-3 cells (FERM BP-8422) which are included in an established cell line of a sturgeon eyeball origin are used.
- 12. A cytotoxic assay as claimed in claim 1, wherein an Alamar Blue assay for the toxic evaluation of a specimen is used.
- 13. An established cell line of a surgeon eyeball origin.
- 14. An established cell line as claimed in claim 13, wherein sturgeon is Bester.
- 15. An established cell line as claimed in claim 13, wherein the established cell line is an ocular epithelial cell origin.
- 16. An established cell line as claimed in claim 13, wherein the established cell line is an iris pigmented epithelial cell origin.
- 17. An established cell line as claimed in claim 13, wherein a passage culture of which is possible without adding an extra cellular matrix.

- 18. An established cell line as claimed in claim 13, wherein 50 times or more of passage cultures of which are possible.
- 19. An established cell line as claimed in claim 13, wherein a doubling time of which is less than 50 hours on the second day to the sixth day after the initiation of culture at 20°C.
- 20. An established cell line as claimed in claim 13, wherein a plating efficiency of which is 75% or more, which is the percentage of cells being attached on a culture dish in one hour after adding these cells into the culture dish.
- 21. STIP-1 cells (FERM BP-8421), the established cell line of a sturgeon eyeball origin.
- 22. STIP-3 cells (FERM BP-8422), the established cell line of a sturgeon eyeball origin.